Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (Currently Amended):   An image pickup apparatus, comprising:

(A)   a photo-taking start instruction operation member which gives an instruction for starting a photo-taking operation;

(B)   a display device which displays a photo-taken image obtained by the photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation; and

(C)   a decision device which decides whether displaying of the photo-taken image being displayed by said display device in response to the photo-taking operation is to be kept even finished or not by a user's request after an operation of said photo-taking start instruction operation member is canceled.

Claim 2 (Original):   An image pickup apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said decision device decided whether displaying of the photo-taken image is to be kept, by an operation of an external operation member different from said photo-taking start instruction operation member.

Claim 3 (Original):   An image pickup apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said decision device includes a keeping instruction operation member which gives an instruction for keeping displaying of the photo-taken image, and, when said keeping instruction operation member is not operated, decides that displaying of the photo-taken image is not to be kept.

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Claim 4 (Original): An image pickup apparatus according to claim 1, wherein displaying of the photo-taken image decided to be kept by said decision device is cancelled by an operation of said photo-taking start instruction member.

Claim 5 (Original): An image pickup apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

a processing device which, in a state where displaying of the photo-taken image is kept by said decision device, applies a predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image the displaying of which is kept.

Claim 6 (Original): An image pickup apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said image pickup apparatus includes a camera.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): An image pickup apparatus, comprising:

(A)   a display device which displays a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation;

(B)   a decision device which decides whether displaying of the photo-taken image being displayed by said display device in response to the photo-taking operation is to be ~~kept~~ finished or not by a user's request; and

(C)   a processing device which, ~~in~~ before a state where displaying of the photo-taken image is ~~kept~~ finished by said decision device, applies a predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image ~~the displaying of which is kept~~.

Claim 8 (Original): An image pickup apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said decision device decides whether displaying of the photo-taken image is to be kept, by an operation of an external operation member.

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Claim 9 (Original):   An image pickup apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said decision device includes a keeping instruction operation member which gives an instruction for keeping displaying of the photo-taken image, and, when said keeping instruction operation member is not operated, decides that displaying of the photo-taken image is not to be kept.

Claim 10 (Original):   An image pickup apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said image pickup apparatus includes a camera.

Claim 11 (Original):   An image pickup apparatus, comprising:

(A)   a display device which displays a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation, said display device keeping displaying of the photo-taken image; and

(B)   a processing device which, in a state where displaying of the photo-taken image is kept by said display device, applies a predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image the displaying of which is kept.

Claim 12 (Original):   An image pickup apparatus according to claim 11, wherein said processing device applies the predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image the displaying of which is kept, by an operation of an external operation member.

Claim 13 (Original):   An image pickup apparatus according to claim 11, wherein said image pickup apparatus includes a camera.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended):   A control method for an image pickup apparatus, comprising:

displaying a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation, and deciding whether displaying of the photo-taken image being displayed in response to the photo-taking operation is to be kept even finished or not by a

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user's request after an operation of a photo-taking starting operation member for giving an instruction for starting photo-taking is canceled.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended):   A control method adapted for an image pickup apparatus, comprising:

displaying a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation, deciding whether displaying of the photo-taken image displayed in response to the photo-taking operation is to be ~~kept~~ finished or not by a user's request, and, ~~in~~ before a state where displaying of the photo-taken image is ~~kept~~ finished, applying a predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image ~~the displaying of which is kept~~.

Claim 16 (Original):   A control method adapted for an image pickup apparatus, comprising:

displaying a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation, keeping displaying of the photo-taken image, and, in a state where displaying of the photo-taken image is kept, applying a predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image the displaying of which is kept.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended):   A computer program product adapted for an image pickup apparatus, comprising contents of:

displaying a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation, and deciding whether displaying of the photo-taken image being displayed in response to the photo-taking operation is to be ~~kept even~~ finished or not by a user's request after an operation of a photo-taking starting operation member for giving an instruction for starting photo-taking is canceled.

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Claim 18 (Currently Amended):   A computer program product adapted for an image pickup apparatus, comprising contents of:

displaying a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation, deciding whether displaying of the photo-taken image being displayed in response to the photo-taking operation is to be ~~kept~~ finished or not by a user's request, and, ~~in~~ before a state where displaying of the photo-taken image is ~~kept~~ finished, applying a predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image ~~the displaying of which is kept~~.

Claim 19 (Original):   A computer program product adapted for an image pickup apparatus, comprising contents of:

displaying a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation, keeping displaying of the photo-taken image, and, in a state where displaying of the photo-taken image is kept, applying a predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image the displaying of which is kept.

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